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Gentlemen,

We would like to strongly add our names to the list against T.V. violence in general but particularly in children's broadcasting - We also object to the fact that many children's shows are geared to "the good guys" which is supposed to make the violence more palatable, right, okay??? Shows such as "Kixx" "Spartan" using various equipment to "fight the right" are unacceptable fare.

Primarily, we watch 12, 23, 29. We have no cable although we have cable capability. Besides news and "Geographics" there is little to see.

We also object to the "sensational" type shows, eg, 911, Top Cop, Entertainment tonight, "Hard Copy, etc. These shows are on during early evening hours, have much brutality, sex, violence, etc.

Commercials are getting worse as well. We are almost to a point where T.V. is an unacceptable entertainment commodity.

Sincerely,
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Dear FCC - FCC MAIL ROOM

gra·tu·i·tous - 1. provided or done without charge or payment. 2. without apparent reason or justification.

Where has the good TV gone? Is Bill Moyers, Nature, PBS and Shining Time Station all that is left? Must intelligent people wade through gun-shooting, mud-slinging, blood-curdling, mind-numbing, gratuitous-sex filled drivel on their way to cable channels or PBS?

I have a 4 year old son and for his sake I wish you'd listen when we, as parents say, where is there anything decent that a family can watch together? Give me information, nature or something without

You see 30 second spots that say, parents should watch TV with their children, and then they run an ad for toy guns or Ken & Barbie - I shake my head as I guess they have to satisfy you (FCC) by running parental spots - what crap! I turn off the TV rather than have my child/family insulted in this manner.

Historical programming - Ken Burns - something that has reality & substance. Give me my "mind" TV (MTV). Give my son some education, new understanding. What about Richard Scarry books/videos put on TV?

I hate commercials - you need sponsors - can't they make commercials during childrens programs shorter, less offensive, less aggressive? Our children need a sense of security, of calm and of reason - just show reality not space junk toys - Kids don't know enough to edit out the junk and the violence. The killing & sex on TV must stop.

Thanks for letting me say all this -
Work towards a better more reasonable
world of TV - Julia Kovi

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Gentlemen:

I would like to comment regarding children's programming. I think the FCC needs to take the bull by the horns, since the producers of children's programs have displayed an inability to bring responsible, educational programming to children. No doubt, parents need to take responsibility for what and how much their children watch, but ultimately the programming rests with the industry and FCC.

Violence is unnecessary and clearly encourages aggressive behavior. We don't want to teach them to be warriors and that punching each other is not the answer. Let's do more to stimulate their brains, encourage them to be sensitive to other people and living creatures, and respect the environment. They are very impressionable, and this is the time to teach them. These are some of the issues that could be presented in children's programming. Programming that raises their consciousness to these issues would be welcomed, and is long overdue.

I hope you will take these comments and suggestions seriously and take the appropriate action to bring some changes about.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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To whom it may concern:

I have long felt that the programs our children view on television reflect what is happening in today's society. It is easy to say "leave it up to the parents to supervise what their children watch", but realistically the majority of parents do not do this.

I am happy to learn you are considering tougher rules for children's television. As a preschool teacher for twenty years, I have seen the effect violent programs have on my three, four and five year olds. I can usually tell what programs the children have watched the night before by their behavior during free time the following day. Aggressive behavior and offensive language is prevalent. I would like to see adult, primetime shows that are violent be given tougher restrictions, also.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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